

Board Members

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Richard Fagundes, District 5 - Vice Chairman



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Edward Hill, County Administrative Officer
Diane Freeman, County Counsel
Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board

Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting Action Summary

Date: Tuesday, August 2, 2022
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Board of Supervisors Chambers, Kings County Government Center
1400 W. Lacey Boulevard, Hanford, California 93230

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- I. 9:00 AM **CALL TO ORDER**
ROLL CALL – Clerk of the Board
INVOCATION – Pastor Arthur Fox – New Hope Orthodox Presbyterian Church
CHAIRMAN NEVES HELD A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM GUNDAKER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
MEMBERS PRESENT: JOE NEVES, DOUG VERBOON, CRAIG PEDERSEN, RICHARD FAGUNDES
MEMBERS ABSENT: RICHARD VALLE



II. UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCES

Any person may directly address the Board at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other items of interest to the public, that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Two (2) minutes are allowed for each item.

Scott Holwell, Kings County Veteran's Services Officer/Public Guardian, stated that Supervisor Pedersen asked for information regarding Operation Greenlight, to show support for Veterans from November 6-12, 2022 place a green light on your porch or in your yard and buildings can be lighted green in support as well.

Bill Lynch, Kings County Fire Chief gave an update on ten personnel and three engines working the Oak fire and the dozer operator is home and will be going back soon. He stated that CalFire statistics are for this fire season: 4,900 fires, 96 structure losses and 2 fatalities.

Rebecca Bell, Kings County resident stated that she is frustrated with City of Hanford and how it's being ran and asked who do citizens go to if the City staff won't address their concerns and the public wishes to have a political audit of the City conducted. She also stated that if someone finds a pet that appears to have belonged to someone to not keep it.

Diane Freeman, County Counsel stated that the cities are separate bodies of government and that there is no oversight by the County.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Report out of Closed Session from the regular meeting for July 26, 2022.

REPORT OUT: Diane Freeman, County Counsel stated that the Board took no reportable action in closed session on July 26, 2022.

B. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting for July 26, 2022.

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, CP, RF, JN-Aye, RV-Absent)

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Human Services Agency:

1. Consider adopting a Resolution to authorize the Director of Human Services Agency as the signee for remaining Project Homekey documents. **[RESO 22-056]**
2. Consider approving an Agreement with Fiscal Experts, Incorporated, doing business as Time Study Buddy for program-level time-tracking software effective August 2, 2022 through July 31, 2027. **[AGMT 22-121]**

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, CP, RF, JN-Aye, RV-Absent)

V. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. Behavioral Health Department – Lisa Lewis/UnChong Parry

1. Consider approving an Agreement with California Mental Health Services Authority for the Semi-Statewide Enterprise Health Record program, retroactively effective from March 18, 2022, through March 18, 2029. **[AGMT 22-122]**

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (CP, DV, RF, JN-Aye, RV-Absent)

B. Fire Department – William Lynch

1. a. Consider authorizing the Fire Chief to submit a proposal for the purchase of a new low emission Fire Apparatus;
- b. Authorize the Fire Chief to sign the submitted application.

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, RF, CP, JN-Aye, RV-Absent)



C. Public Health Department – Rose Mary Rahn/Heather Silva

1. Consider adopting a Resolution proclaiming August 2022 as Valley Fever Awareness Month in Kings County. [RESO 22-057]

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, CP, RF, JN-Aye, RV-Absent)

D. Administration – Edward Hill/Kyria Martinez/Domingo Cruz

1. Consider recognizing the winners of the 2022 County Employee Budget Book Photo Contest. **KYRIA MARTINEZ, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER STATED THAT 72 PHOTOS WERE RECEIVED FROM COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR THE 3RD ANNUAL BUDGET BOOK PHOTO CONTEST. SHE ANNOUNCED THAT TINA BLANCHARD, HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY WON FOR BEST AGRICULTURE CATEGORY AND BEST LANDSCAPE CATEGORY AND DESIREE ARAGON, PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT WON FOR BEST HISTORIC BUILDING CATEGORY. DESIREE ARAGON WAS NAMED FOR OVERALL WINNER OF THE CONTEST AND STATED THAT HER PHOTO WILL BE ON THE 2022/2023 FINAL BUDGET BOOK COVER.**

2. Consider authorizing the Chairman to sign a letter of support for the F-35A Lightning II Operational Beddown at Naval Air Station Lemoore.

ACTION: APPROVED AS PRESENTED (DV, CP, RF, JN-Aye, RV-Absent)

VI.

BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

On their own initiative, Board Members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make a referral to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda (Gov. Code Section 54954.2a).

Supervisor Fagundes stated that he had phone calls and meetings this week with constituents.

Supervisor Verboon stated that he attended the Kings County Association of Governments, Local Agency Formation Commission and Kings County Area Public Transit Agency meetings, attended the Water Committee for the San Joaquin Valley Sigma meeting, and will meet with an author from New York for a book he is writing regarding what happens when the well runs dry and tour the County to discuss the water issues Kings County is facing.

Supervisor Pedersen stated that he had a meeting with CalPERS and learned that at the end of the year the account had a 61% decline and stated his concerns for the inflation rates we are experiencing.

Supervisor Neves stated that he announced the little league game, attended the Housing Authority of Kings County, Local Agency Formation Commission, Kings County Association of Governments and the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency meetings, attended the Kings Tulare Master Plan on Aging meeting, attended the Mid-State Fair rodeo, announced at the Lemoore Raceway event, attended the Cabrillo Club scholarship luncheon and stated that school is getting ready to start up again and asked everyone to be safe.

- ◆ **Board Correspondence: Edward Hill stated that the Board received a meeting Notice and Agenda for the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Meeting that will take place on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. and the Southwest Groundwater Sustainability Agency Resolution Approving the Levying of 2023 Assessments. He stated that the Board received a Notice of Vacancy that Trustee Mark Grewal has resigned from the Board of Directors of the Tulare Lake Reclamation District #761 effective July 18, 2022. This vacancy will be filled by appointment and correspondence dated July 26, 2022 which contains the sworn affidavit of the Kings County Assessor regarding the 2022-2023 Kings County Local Assessment Roll.**



- ◆ **Upcoming Events:** Edward Hill stated that Kings Art Center will be hosting an Evening of the Arts on Friday, August 5, 2022, from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at 605 N. Douty Street in Hanford. There will be an Exhibition of art, carnival games, face painting, popcorn, punch and Superior Dairy Ice Cream. Admission is free. Kings Partnership is hosting Business Happy Hour on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at the Hanford Chamber Office. The cost is free for members and \$5 for non-members. There will be a Public Safety Appreciation Luncheon hosted by Greater Kings County Chamber of Commerce and Hanford Chamber of Commerce on August 10, 2022 at the Hanford Civic Auditorium located at 400 N. Douty Street in Hanford. The event will take place at 12pm and tickets are \$20. Tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite or through the website at hanfordchamber.com The National Guard Bureau and Department of the Air Force invite the public to learn about a proposal to locate F-35A aircraft at NAS Lemoore. An informational meeting to learn more about this proposal, ask questions and to submit comments will be held in person on Wednesday, August 10, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the L.T.A. Portuguese Hall located at 470 Champion Street in Lemoore. There will also be a virtual meeting on Thursday, August 25, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. The City of Avenal & Self-Help Enterprises will be hosting a Rental and Utilities Workshop for those impacted by COVID-19 on August 17, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Avenal Recreation Center located at 717 E. Monterey in Avenal. For more information please call 559-802-1600. The Hanford Chamber of Commerce will be hosting Biz Ball Pickleball Tournament on Saturday, August 27, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Hanford Pickleball Courts located at 1010 W. Grangeville Blvd., Hanford. Registration is \$60 per team and one of the players must be employed by a local business. The Rotary Club of Hanford will host its Golf Tournament at the Kings Country Club on Monday, September 12, 2022^h from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.. Space is limited to 120 Players. Reservations on a First Paid Basis. Proceeds from this event will be split among area Veterans Service Organizations. Contact Joan Darling at 559-977-9999 regarding sign ups and sponsorship. The Tenth Annual Light of Hope Elite Cocktail Event will take place on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Hanford Civic Center Auditorium. Attendees will hear from advocates about Court Appointed SA of Kings County. Tickets are \$75 per person and the proceeds will provide hopeful futures for children in Kings County foster care. For more information call 559-587-9908. Kings County Special Olympics will be having their Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at the Hanford Civic Park. Vendors and Teams are needed so please email kingscountyspecialolympics@gmail.com for details. The Kings County Sheriff will be holding an open house for their new headquarters this Friday, August 5, from 10-1. The new headquarters is located at 1550 Kings County Drive and refreshments will be provided.

- ◆ **Information on Future Agenda Items:** Edward Hill stated that the following items would be on a future agenda: Administration - Designation of County representative for Kings County to the PRISM Board; Agreements with Armona and Kettleman City Community Service Districts for Utility Arrearages, Impact Fee Public Hearing; and Fiscal Year 2022-23 Final Budget Hearing: Behavioral Health - Agreement with Judge Rotenberg Education Center, for Residential Treatment Program Services; Community Development Agency - monthly reporting of Planning Commission Actions; Fire Department - Acceptance Of Senate Bill 178 Funding From Assembly Member Rudy Salas's Office and a Retroactive Agreement For Fire Services With The City Of Avenal; Human Resources - Agreement with NFP Retirement, Inc., for Deferred Compensation Program Consulting Services; Public Health -COVID-19 update.



VII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

August 9	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 16	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 23	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting
August 30	9:00 AM	Regular Meeting

Agenda backup information and any public records provided to the Board after the posting of the agenda will be available for the public to review at the Board of Supervisors office, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd, Hanford, for the meeting date listed on this agenda.